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Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Room TW-A325
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *Ex Parte Notice*

Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment on Request for Waiver to Facilitate Deployment of Positive Train Control Systems, Public Notice, WT Docket No. 13-59; Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment on Spectrum Needs for the Implementation of the Positive Train Control Provisions of the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008, WT Docket 11-79

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, March 14, 2013, parties interested in PTC-220, LLC (PTC-220) met with Larry Olson and Ann Gallagher of the International Bureau and Timothy Maguire and Richard Arsenault of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau. Participating on behalf of PTC-220 were Enzo De Bennetti, Canadian National Railway; Ed Hollingsworth, Union Pacific Railroad; Bart Downing, CSX Transportation; Henry McCreary, CSX Transportation; Steve Huff, Norfolk Southern Railway; Michael Lannan, BNSF Railway (by phone); James Bruyn, Canadian Pacific Railway (by phone); as well as counsel for PTC-220, Michele Farquhar and Trey Hanbury of Hogan Lovells US LLP. Also joining the meeting was Tim Strafford of the Association of American Railroads.

The participating parties reviewed the attached presentation with the Commission representatives. The parties discussed the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008, which required positive train control (PTC) systems to be installed throughout much of the United States by December 31, 2015. They also discussed the need for adjustment of the fourteen-year-old *Interim Arrangement* between the United States and Canada that governs the 220-222 MHz spectrum. And they concluded the meeting by identifying several specific measures necessary to allow PTC rail safety systems to operate near the Canadian border.

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Consistent with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, please associate this letter with the above-referenced dockets.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Trey Hanbury

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